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TO: PRIORITY SANTIAGO.

1. DECISION NOW FIRM TO PROCEED IMMEDIATELY WITH [REDACTED] PROPOSAL REQUESTING [REDACTED] DOLLARS TO SUPPORT POLITICAL PARTIES AND PRIVATE SECTOR DURING ONE YEAR PERIOD FROM 1 JUNE 1973 THROUGH 31 MAY 1974. ALTHOUGH POSSIBILITY THAT MILITARY MAY ACT EITHER TO REENTER CABINET OR EVEN TO TAKE CONTROL OF GOVERNMENT WILL BE MENTIONED IN GENERAL TERMS IN BACKGROUND SECTION OF [REDACTED] PAPER, PROPOSAL WILL BE LIMITED TO STRENGTHENING OPPOSITION FORCES IN ANTICIPATION OF 1976 ELECTION. PAPER WILL NOT DISCUSS NEED FOR INCREASED [REDACTED] ACCESS TO MILITARY NOR CONSIDER POSSIBILITY THAT FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS MAY MAKE OUR SUPPORT OF MILITARY INTERVENTION A PRACTICAL POSSIBILITY. FUNDS FOR PRIVATE SECTOR WILL BE REQUESTED FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF ENABLING BUSINESS COMMUNITY [REDACTED] TO DEVELOP ADDITIONAL STRENGTH IN COORDINATION WITH CODE PARTIES. OPPOSITION NEED TO ENGAGE IN "CONFRONTATION POLITICS" IN ORDER BLOCK OR SLOW DOWN IMPLEMENTATION OF UP PROGRAMS WILL BE MENTIONED, BUT WE WILL NOT

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INCLUDE OBJECTIVE OF PROVOKING CONFRONTATION IN ORDER TO PROVOKE MILITARY INTERVENTION.

2. BREAKDOWN OF FUNDS WOULD BE AS DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH 7 OF REFERENCE. UNLESS STATION WISHES RECOMMEND CHANGES. PLEASE NOTE THAT WE HAVE NOT INCLUDED ANY NEW FUNDS FOR [REDACTED] BUT WILL REQUEST THAT UNSPENT BALANCE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED [REDACTED] BE MADE AVAILABLE [REDACTED] IN FY 1974.

3. REQUEST YOU DISCUSS ABOVE PROPOSAL WITH AMBASSADOR SOONEST AND ADVISE.

4. REALIZE ABOVE DOES NOT FULLY REFLECT STATION VIEWS AS FORWARDED IN SANTIAGO [REDACTED] HOWEVER WE WISH DEFER ANY CONSIDERATION OF ACTION PROGRAM DESIGNED TO STIMULATE MILITARY INTERVENTION UNTIL WE HAVE MORE DEFINITE EVIDENCE THAT MILITARY IS PREPARED TO MOVE AND THAT OPPOSITION, INCLUDING PDC, WOULD SUPPORT A COUP ATTEMPT.

5. PLS CABLE YOUR COMMENTS TO ARRIVE HQS NO LATER THAN MORNING OF 3 MAY.

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